Contract for the Approved Providers List for Therapeutic Services.

REPORT TO; the Corporate Director Children and Young Peoples Services (CYPS) Stuart Carlton

DECISION DATE: Thursday 8th July 2021

SUPPORTING ANNEX; This report includes a supporting Annex which contains exempt information as described in paragraphs 1, 3 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)

PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Authority carry out an Open Procurement process under the Light-Touch Regime for the re-tendering of the Approved Providers List for Therapeutic Services. The estimated contract value will be in the region of £25million over a proposed 5-year duration.

BACKGROUND TO SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATION

The Approved Providers List for Therapeutic Services provides authorities across the Yorkshire and Humber region with a compliant route to commission therapeutic providers to support eligible adoptive and special guardianship order families who may be at risk of placement breakdown or at crisis point. Any commissioned therapeutic work is wholly funded by the Adoption Support Fund, which was put in place by Government. The Approved providers list is administrated and contract managed by North Yorkshire County Councils Procurement and Contract Management service on behalf of the Yorkshire and Humber regions.

LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE COMPLIANCE

The contract will be procured in line with the Public Contract Regulations 2015.

RECOMMENDATION

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